

MICHIGAN HOUSE HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE
3-15-16 HEARING
CHAIR MIKE CALLTON

LEGISLATORS SHOULD REJECT HR 169 FOR THE SAME REASONS LEGISLATORS SHOULD REJECT
HB 4674 AND REFORM THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE

Non-consensual psychiatric drug prescribing is unconstitutional, assaultive, fraudulent, discriminatory, criminal abuse of vulnerable persons. The practice continues because of historic legal disenfranchisement of persons psychiatrically labeled. Congress needs to better study the quality of psychotropic drugs and the integrity of the psychiatric profession and then to recognize that state laws authorizing forced medical treatments are prohibited by constitutional, statutory, administrative, and common law. Note, informed consent, dignity, privacy, 42 CFR 438.100- includes the right to refuse treatment, 42 USC 2000cc-1 inflicting persons with harmful, counter-therapeutic, mind-impairing drugs is repugnant to Christian values and practices, 42 USC 12132, 28 CFR 35.130, 29 USC 701 Disability discrimination, 18 USC 1347 Health care fraud, 18 USC 241, 242 Criminal civil rights violations.

Psychiatry needs to be brought to justice but not in the way *HR 2646* proposes. Congress has a highest duty to uphold and enforce the 14th Amendment and Bill of Rights. The ??? million dollars Congress would spend supporting state AOT laws should instead be used to pay money damages to the victims of state AOT and civil commitment assaultive drugging laws. Granted justice cannot be secured for many because they have died from the forced drugging. In fact, far more persons die from non-consensual psychiatric drugging in the US than die from legal executions. America's worst criminals typically get 20 years of ~~appeals~~ *(due process)*, while those labeled mentally ill get only the protection of expert psychiatric judgment. Psychiatric drugs, and especially the most lucrative antipsychotic drugs, are far more harmful and counter-therapeutic than represented by psychiatry. Most persons with mental illnesses do know they have an ailment, and if the drugs were safe and effective then they would consume them like candy. APD's often worsen mental and physical health. Psychiatrists who declare in court that objection to the drugs means incompetence or insanity commit perjury. Evidence-based medicine exposes forced drugging to be malpractice. Congress needs to know the medical facts desperately. PAIMI's throughout the US are shockingly guilty of not doing enough to protect persons fundamental right, privilege, immunity to refuse psychiatric drugs. It is now known that APDs damage the brain. Does the 1st Amendment permit forced brain damage? *HR 2646* might appear to be a "law to remedy the distress of the people and the state", however, state AOT laws and other laws which force persons to consume psychiatric drugs against their informed consent (beyond emergency 1-2 day chemical restraints) are unconstitutional, fraudulent, criminal abuse of a vulnerable and legally disenfranchised group of people. These laws are "a nullity as absolute and palpable as if Congress had ordered us to fall down and worship a golden image."

The proposed revisions ^{of} the mental health code (HB 4674) to increase out-patient commitments will **worsen** the fraud, abuse, waste, violations of constitutional liberties and individual rights, unethical professional misconduct, misconduct of government officials and employees, and arbitrary and capricious behavior that is endemic to mental health administration in Michigan.

Thank you. Sincerely,



Sean Bennett
1011 Crown St, Kal. Mich. 49006
734-239-3541